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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Balaram Sinharoy

Before the Examiner:

William Wood

Serial No.: 09/435,070

Group Art Unit: 2152

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IBM Corp.

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Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of June 5, 2003 (Paper No. 8), with a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on September 5, 2003, please amend the above-referenced Application as follows:

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450, on September 5, 2003.

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